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That City Park.

At the June election the voters of Bandon will have a chance to decide whether or not we shall purchase the portion of ground in West Bandon, which has heretofore been used for park purposes, for a permanent city park. There is perhaps no more ideal place in Oregon or any other state for a park and the tract can be bought for nominal sum at this time, whereas if the proposition is not taken up now it may cost many times more in the future. Now is the time to secure a city park. We need it. Let's get it.

New City Charter.

The new city charter is now in the hands of the voters and on Friday, May 3rd, these voters will have a chance to express their approval or disapproval of it. That the charter will carry there is little doubt, but what we want to urge is that people make its adoption as nearly unanimous as possible. It is a good charter, and though some may pick flaws in it, we should remember that probably these same persons would pick flaws in any kind of a charter that could be drawn. Under the new charter, there are no powers granted to mayor, council or other official that could in any way conflict with public liberty, even though such officer might be ever so despotic if he were left to his own tastes. It is a charter of the people and for the people.

Some have raised the objection that there is not the notice paid to the initiative and referendum and recall as should be, but we must remember that the initiative, referendum and recall are state laws and cannot be affected in any way by the city charter. We have these by right of state law and nothing except a decree from the state legislature, or a vote of the people can ever take it away, so if you have no other objection to the city charter than the fact that it does not contain enough about the initiative and referendum, you can certainly vote for it with no compunctions of conscience for the state law provides amply for these and they will be in effect all the time and can be used just as freely in the city as any where else.

Teddy and Woodrow Win in Pennsylvania.

In the presidential preference primaries in Pennsylvania last Saturday, Teddy Roosevelt won over Taft in the republican column by an overwhelming majority, and Woodrow Wilson came out with flying colors in the democratic contest over Champ Clark.

Skiff for sale. Inquire at Bon Ton Barber Shop 29-1f

GREATEST DISASTER IN MARINE HISTORY

Sinking of Titanic Has No Parallel. Ship Was Finest Afloat.

New York, April 16.—The greatest marine disaster in the history of the world occurred last Sunday night when the Titanic of the White Star Line, the biggest and finest of steamships, shattered herself against an iceberg and sank with 1500 of her passengers and crew in less than four hours.

Out of nearly 2200 people that she carried only 675 were saved and most of these were women and children.

They were picked up from small boats by Conarder Carpathia, which found, when she ended her desperate race against time, a sea strewn with the wreckage of the lost ship and the bodies of drowned men and women.

Among the 1320 passengers of the giant liner were Colonel John Jacob Astor and his wife, Isador Straus, Major Archibald W. Butt, aide to President Taft; George B. Widener and Mrs. Widener, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Harper, William T. Stead, the London Journalist and many more whose names are known on both sides of the Atlantic. The news that few besides women and children were saved has caused the greatest apprehension as to the fate of these.

Presidential Year As Viewed by One of the Most Eminent Business Critics of the Day.

Among the superstitious fears that are around us is the idea that Presidential Year is always a bad year for business. Hence, we find many dealers buying just from hand to mouth, and others who should be building and extending, going slow, and saying, "We will not do anything until after election."

This state of mind comes to us from a time when kings ruled the world, and a change of government was affected only through death and revolution. The grand chamberlain, who stood in the window of the palace and called aloud to the multitude, "The King is dead—long live the King!" while around were soldiers standing at "Present Arms," and the air breathing with bayonets, is in our minds.

Our mental attitude is one of apprehension. We expect a fight, a revolution—barricades, burnings, inquisitions, and all the terrors that go with an interregnum.

Government for us is not a thing that rule—it is merely a matter of business.

The real fact is that the business at Washington is not conducted by the President or his Cabinet.

There is a big force of able men who have held their positions long, and these are the men who do their work and hold their peace.

The president's power is largely in the line of publicity. He stands in the limelight, but the work goes right along without him.

We are ruled by the spirit of the times, the Zeitgeist is supreme, and no order, even of the Supreme Court, is operative unless it is backed up by public opinion.—Elbert Hubbard, in The Philistine for April.

Witte: Water for your liver, kidneys and rheumatism. C. M. Spencer, Agent.

To Coquille.

Seaside Gun Club and friends will go to Coquille Sunday at 7 a. m., either by Coquille or Dispatch Boat will be held at Coquille until the events of the day are over.

Join the crowd and spend the day with our neighbors.

The Grand Theatre Discontinues Vaudeville.

Why? For the simple reason that the majority of the acts that are booked into this county are so inferior in quality that instead of pleasing the theatre going public, they keep patrons, who enjoy high class pictures and good music, at home until said Vaudeville Artists (?) leave town.

Now, a word about high class Vaudeville such as is offered on the Orpheum, Pantages, Sullivan and Considine circuits. These Vaudeville acts demand salaries ranging from \$150 to \$500 per week, playing one act for the week and then booked to other houses on these circuits. These Vaudeville acts play the big cities only, for the simple reason that the small town theatre manager cannot afford to pay such enormous salaries.

Therefore Mgr. Sellmer has come to the conclusion that he can please the Bandon public better by offering an entertainment consisting of high class pictures and good music at 10c admission, than to bore the audience with a class of Vaudeville that is walking the streets of Frisco and Portland out of jobs, and tries to entertain an intelligent audience with stale jokes, bad singing and coarse dialogue.

Arrangements are being made to secure superior quality in Pictures, Feature Films, and other specials. The Grand Orchestra will be featured in Overtures that are sure to please. W. C. SELLMER, Mgr., The Grand.

Judges Will Change Seats.

Judge Henry L. Benson of Klamath Falls, will preside at the April term of Circuit Court at Coquille in place of Judge J. S. Coke and will hear both the Foote and Bestcott murder trials.

This announcement was made today following the receipt by Judge Coke of a request from Judge Benson that they exchange for this term as he (Judge Benson) had several cases from which he was disqualified. Judge Coke agreed to comply with his request and will leave Friday for Klamath Falls.

Judge Harris arrived here from Eugene today to hear some Plat B cases in which Judge Coke was disqualified, owing to Mr. Coke having been interested in them as an attorney prior to his elevation to the bench. Judge Coke arranged some time ago for Judge Harris to come here for this purpose. Had he been advised sooner of Judge Benson's wish, he would have had Judge Benson hear all the cases and saved Judge Harris the trip in here now.

Judge Coke and Judge Harris left this afternoon in an auto for Coquille. C. F. McKnight accompanied them.

It is expected that the grand jury will make a report Thursday on the criminal cases up. Some of the witnesses who have appeared before the grand jury report that there is an impression at Coquille that Goldie Bestcott may not even be indicted on the Murray murder charge.—Coos Bay Times.

Everybody Dance.

Go to the Wigwam dance Saturday night—Kausrud's Orchestra will play, assuring good music. 301f

BOATS ARRIVE AND DEPART

Shipping Business Continues as Brisk as Ever at Coquille River

The Bandon arrived yesterday and is loading at the Moore mill and the Estabrook wharf.

The Brooklyn arrived today with five tons of freight and the following passengers: Lillie Norris, Edward Haines, W. W. Kindle, Alfred Norris, Orew M. Oissio, J. M. Gilean.

The Elizabeth arrived today with 100 tons of freight and the following passengers: C. C. Gibbens, D. Hodge, James Reberton, P. G. Spier, F. Gibbens, Chas. Randleman, Alfred Morris, Robt. F. Fox, B. C. Martin, wife and two children.

For Sale.

5 acre tract close in. Good level land \$300. Easy terms. Also to acres good land 1-2 miles out \$400.

FOR EXCHANGE.

Good dairy ranch of 120 acres. 50 acres 1st class bottom, balance good bench. 40 acres in crop. Ranch fully stocked. Will exchange for Bandon property. See Deyoe & Smith. 27-1f

Dance at Oriental Hall.

A social dance will be given at Oriental Hall, Saturday night. Six piece orchestra. Good time assured.

Important News of Oregon.

Portland, Or., April 16 (Special) Requests for reservations for the Oregon and Portland Business Men's Excursion to the Oregon Agricultural College, at Corvallis, are coming in at a surprising rate from all parts of the state. The communities at which stops will be made enroute are making great preparations for the entertainment of the excursionists. The McMinnville Commercial Club has arranged to take the party to Sheridan in autos, and the Sheridan Commercial Club has planned an auto trip into the near-by hills. The Dallas business men have aroused the interest of their entire section, and the Thursday evening meeting will be in their charge.

All day Friday will be spent at the college. In the evening the Corvallis Commercial Club will entertain. The excursion will leave Portland Thursday, April 25th, and return to Portland early Saturday morning.

The Roseburg Commercial Club is planning a gala time from May 12th to 18th. On the 14th, 15th and 16th it will entertain the members of the State Grange at their annual meeting, and on the 16th, 17th and 18th will hold a strawberry festival and rose carnival.

A plan to own a five story fire-proof office building that will provide them with a permanent home has been submitted to the members of the La Grande Commercial Club. It will be financed by issuing shares of \$100 each to be taken by the members of the Club.

The Civic Improvement League, an organization of the women of Burns, has been formed for bettering the sanitary condition of the city. It will also co-operate with the Burns Commercial Club and the Merchant's Association.

The Lebanon Commercial Club has just published a splendid booklet advertising Lebanon and Linn County. The motto of the book is: "Lebanon, the Strawberry Center of the Valley of the Santiam River."

A consolidation of the Woodville and Evans Valley Development Leagues has been effected under the name of the Woodville Commercial Club, with the object of the rapid development of the Evans Valley.

The Commercial Club of Portland's Garden has been organized with headquarters at Schools, Washington County. The immediate object of the Club is to build a tunnel under Council Crest, making possible quick transportation between the Tualatin Valley and Portland.

Waldo Hills, Fernridge and Victor Point have joined with Sublimity in forming the Sublimity Commercial Club. The purpose is to advertise that section and to construct good roads in Marion County.

The Lakeview Commercial Club recently raised \$650 with which to publish 10,000 copies of a pamphlet giving information about Lake Co.

To advertise its advantages as a summer and winter resort, the Newport Commercial Club has joined with the Southern Pacific in a community advertising plan.

At the annual meeting of the Grants Pass Commercial Club, Secretary Andrews reported a membership of 325.

Plan To Put On Vaudeville.

A meeting of the proprietors, A. J. Hartman, Foote & Wilson, H. A. Schroeder and B. R. Kellar, of the Orpheum Theater, of Bandon; the Scenic of Coquille; the Unique of Myrtle Point, and the Orpheum of Marshfield, respectively was held here yesterday. Arrangements were completed for placing vaudeville in all of the four towns. This circuit will be known as "The Big Four Amusement Circuit." Mr. Hartman has just returned from a trip to Portland and San Francisco, where he had gone through with the preliminary work for the circuit and his plans were considered and passed upon, Mr. Kellar being instructed to secure suitable acts and arrange booking dates for the entire circuit. It was especially urged by all exhibitors present that Mr. Kellar secure only such acts as may be presented to ladies and children without fear of censure, and all were assured that if it was possible to do so the public would shortly be in a position to witness a vaudeville and picture performance of a distinctly refined and moral nature.

Messrs. Foote & Wilson, at Coquille, are at present having an addition erected to their now attractive house and the seating capacity will be greatly increased, and the stage made deeper.

The Orpheum, in Bandon, is well known for its beauty and comfort, while the stage is large and capable of accommodating attractions of any kind whatsoever.

The Unique, in Myrtle Point, is the only picture theater in the valley town, being well located and ably conducted. While the seating capacity is not so large as the latter mentioned house, it is ample for present needs, and with high class pictures, clean vaudeville and good management, this house has a very prosperous season ahead.

The Masonic Theater has been secured for the new vaudeville circuit, and the plans for these performances will be announced in a few days. Special pictures will be shown in this house in conjunction with other novel attractions. Manager Pratt, however, will remain in charge of the larger companies and road shows, and will book them in all of the above mentioned houses.

Notice to The Public.

All persons residing within the proposed boundaries of the city of Bandon and also within the corporate limits of said city who have not received a copy of the new charter, please drop a card in the post office directed to the city recorder or call at office of city recorder and get one.

I have tried to reach all by consulting the poll books of the city, and from memory, but if any have been overlooked, I am more than anxious that they should receive a copy before the election on May 3.

E. B. KAUSRUD,
City Recorder.

At the Grand.

Saturday, April 20.

"Bunny" of the Vitagraph Co. will appear in a mirth provoking comedy entitled—"Chumps." The Pathe Weekly contains a fine lot of interesting subjects. A fine Essanay comedy—"Her Little Poet."

Sunday, April 21.

"The Law of the Lady"—powerful Vitagraph drama. "The Test"—a Selig, dealing with attempted reformation, concluding with a fine comedy. 300 feet both nights. Admission to and 5c.

Special Overture Sunday night.

Orpheum.

The Great Vaudeville Artists Lacier & Co. who have made a big hit in the leading San Francisco theatres, in their great Novelty Electrical and Transformation dances, will appear for several nights, commencing Sunday, April 21st. Also Prof. Van Miller, the great Violin Soloist will render new popular selections.

In addition will be shown 3000 ft. of first class motion pictures.

Don't fail to see this excellent show.

Fourmile Items.

Everyone is busy this fine weather getting their crops in.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ora Gardner, April 7th, a big fine boy.

A basket social was given at the Fourmile Hall. A small crowd turned out but a good time was reported.

Mrs. Cope, who has been under the weather for some time past is but little better at this writing.

Mrs. Geo. Deos, who underwent a critical operation at the Mercy Hospital a short time ago, returned home last week. She says she is feeling much better, but is still very weak.

Word has been received that Mrs. J. A. Cope and Mrs. T. H. Snow was to go to Seattle, Wash., in hope of benefiting Mrs. Cope's health.

—M. M.

THE
Grand
Picture Program
3000 Feet of Fine Films Each Night.
SATURDAY
See "Bunny" in a Comedy, Entitled "Chumps." A Scream. Pathe Weekly—many interesting events throughout the world in motion pictures, "Her Little Poet," an Essanay Comic.
SUNDAY NIGHT
"The Law of the Lady," Powerful Vitagraph Portrayal. "The Test," a Selig Drama. "Everything is Not What it Sometime Seems," a Good Comic.
SPECIAL OVERTURE SUNDAY NIGHT
Admission 10c and 5c.

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